The Right and the Ulrong.

A sermon of the famous author of "In His Steps," - a book whose circulation was over 3,000,000 copies.

"What difference does it make whether Moses wrote the Word of God or whether it was written by some one else?"

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world. One is the power of said so.

right or wrong rested with you? I think hereditary tendencies, but I do deny their one of two things; right or wrong, life or Christ and the Church. People are so ready choose the right or the wrong; some young

lay with him and that he could do right if he you would still possess this power. so desired. A man whose life is devoted to In his daily life a man is often surrounded The second result of indifference is fallure. In choosing between right and wrong we Make your choice between right and wrong mental facts in life in this this power, and when frank with themselves stances or the heredity. Every man knows make to us whether Moses wrote the Word good. We should practise all that uplifts choosing. I state it merely as a solemn fact.

to a great extent of hereditary tendency, the scapegoat for our misdeeds. Bishop Vin- shalt," knowing that the man was a law But to the man who has not definitely We allow our lives to be shaped to a great may never come. Thousands of years after past week were conscious at the time that our fathers which is too strong for us to bear chose.

the power of choosing whether you should do against. I do not deny the existence of In making his choice man can select only God. He hesitates about taking a stand for has not made up his mind fully whether to yet to be born.

every one of you. You can all say, "I need importance. The boy resembles the father, death. People are always trying to compro- to criticise a church member, he thinks. He man from the college, perhaps, who left his not have chosen to do wrong; I might have Habits are handed down from father to son, mise between life and death and right and may be making mistakes in his life and doing home to take up a new work, leaving a father a fact that is spoken of in the Bible. But no wrong, but no man ever succeeded. The first wrong things. If he belongs to the church his and mother praying for him. He may think Every one in this congregation who did man inherits from his father anything that fruit of attempted compromise is indiffer- mistakes will seem more glaring, and com- he has not time, that he is too busy with his something that his conscience knew was deprives him of the power to choose between ence. If a man does not make a direct choice ments will be made upon them. By joining studies, to serve God; but if he should choose

work among criminals, who has visited all by persons who do not help him to do right, to select between right and wrong is doubt, should take into consideration the vast influ-now! We do not know how long we shall live; the great prisons and fails and has met nearly Sometimes they belong to his own family The indifferent man speculates as to who ence that one human life has upon another, not one here can say that he will ever reach text is from nineteenth verse, all the criminals in them, says that a vast circle. But although they do not aid him to really wrote the Word of God. "Did Moses Rarely do we realize how much our actions home. There are few persons of mature years thirtieth chapter Deuteron- majority of those criminals had enough a righteous career, they cannot make him do write it?" he asks, "or did some one else? influence those of our neighbor. It is not in this house who cannot remember cases of omy: "Therefore, choose life," strength within them to do right instead of wrong. He has the power of choice, no mat- Was Jonah a fact or a fiction? Can I believe merely the good that does no harm that we bright young lives suddenly blotted out. I There are two great funda- wrong. They themselves felt that they had ter what the surroundings or the circum- in a miracle?" Now, what difference does it should be aggressively do not say this to frighten any one into

that he has this power. Nothing can take it of God or whether it was written by some and makes better our fellow men. We should It is a terrible thing to think of a man conchoice. In the field of character the power, When we are tempted to do wrong it is away from him. Jesus always spoke in the one else? There it is in all its grandeur; of endeavor to make our every day lives such fronting the great perils of life and still of choice stands by Itself. It is independent another wrong to make hereditary tendency imperative mood. He said, "Do it," or "Thou what importance is it who wrote it?

wrong was aware that the power of choice good and evil. Even if you were all heathens between right and wrong he soon becomes the church he will actually lose caste, he the right now his course might influence a careless about his way of life.

How many of you who did wrong during the cent says there is nothing we inherit from unto himself and could do it or not as he chosen whether he shall do right or wrong extent by our surroundings. In this congre- we are dead and gone the choice we make to-

fears, in the sight of his fellow men.

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doubts come to the mind about the Word of gation there may be some young man who day may have influence on the lives of people

that we may be examples of right living. putting off his choice until a to-morrow that

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"It is well for those who cry aloud at the shame of France to see if there be like guilt upon us!"

tion of Captain Dreyfus and see if there be dead past. Our institutions are representagood.

and steal and kill, in same form or other, for growth and freedom. That will never defends what is, whatever defends what is, whatever the honor of the Government, or for the glory sacred is to-morrow profane. The form of
principle, however the variance and degree garchic. Tyranny and corruption inhere in right and honorable. "For the honor of the glory sacred is to-morrow's despotism. As
of flagrance in its manifestations. The evil the delegation of the power that belongs to army," lying, stealing, murder, everything infamous, is honorable.

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not have been enlisted against his liberty, constructed, under the influence of Hamilton, existing order becomes, the more its power is who differ with him in exposition of the Bible, fus-"for the honor of the army."

dividibles. There are no degrees in a version. Training and corruption linkers in religious doctrine, in explaint the natural principle, however the variance and degree and the property, or for the state of Emerson used to emphasise in to many ways, principle in the property of the state of Emerson used to emphasise in to many ways, principle in the interview of the state of Emerson used to emphasise in to many ways, principle in the interview of the state of Emerson used to emphasise in to many ways, principle here involved is that whatever de-the principle in the principle in

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A Letter to busbands.

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"When you come to sift the whole chaff of existence everything goes to the winds excepting the happiness you have at

woman committed suicide because window. her husband scolded her.

the tragic and the absurd in all this.

preceded this occasion.

There had been scolding after scolding with- We know there are homes for paupers in pathized with. so many derelictions, for so many deeds done is made for them in the next.

A cross, fault-finding wife is a terrible be- world with a good supply of spiritual wealth, lieve it. ing. But a man can take his hat and go to and not as a bankrupt. sive.

When the husband comes home and scolds help pitying him.

He came home late at night and day had submitted for many years, undoubt- ently! He would understand her so much If you, who read these lines, are a man and so when things go amiss at your own home? A strong man can make a woman over into found her employed in labor edly; and then, finding that submission did better, and be so much better, if she were a husband, ask yourself just what you are If not, why not? which seemed to him suitable for not better matters, she tried the window act. alive to-day.

from the window and died in the hospital ways of earth uninvited than to force an he sees and admires all her sweet, tender seeing you each evening? Are you would feel ashamed to make him as he loves the dollar is this possible. entrance into the mysterious realm of death. qualities.

own earth existence.

the club, to the corner grocery, or to the Meantime there is the scolding husband to ilized" state of society, there are hundreds of Why not study saloon when her tongue becomes too aggres- carry his remorseful heart through life. It unhappy wives to be found; wives who feel your partner; why not be as tactful and as conciliatory to strangers.

is good enough for him, and yet we cannot often on the verge of acts as desperate as patient with her as you are with him? Why There is no woman on the face of the earth the air of the house blue, there is nothing for He is so sorry he said what he did. He subject of this sketch; and husbands who are customers and patrons? OT many weeks ago a tired little a wife to do but submit or jump out of the never dreamed she would take it so to heart, as blindly thoughtless and as unkind as the If sou called at your neighbor's house and study to avoid aggravating her faults, and

The wife who died in the hospital the other and live that night over, and do, oh, so differ- death.

a spiritual pauper. He who has spiritual happy wives and husbands! I know many! Are you telling her she is a good wife and in such a matter. It was a small thing to cause a wife to sac- strength knows he will be aided to the end, Many more exist—unknown to me. Happi- a good mother, or are you finding fault with Then why should you humiliate the partner come to sift the whole chaff of existence rifice her life—just a man's irritable criticism, and waits his call. But the spiritual pauper ness is oftimes secretive and ignoring her you have taken for life by making her ask everything goes to the winds but the happi-But we must take into consideration all that declares himself a bankrupt when he ends his noisy and communicative. Happiness seeks great virtues?

Still, in this overfull world, and "overciv- her that you see her faults. that of the poor little woman who forms the not entertain and amuse her as you do your to whom you should show such considerate

her for every good quality she possesses, and ask for it-you would feel it consistent with And remember always-the real business of There seems to be a mixture of the pathetic, The man or woman who commits suicide is I like to think the world is peopled with— thanking her for all her efforts to please you? your business honor and pride to be prompt life is the making of a happy home. Every-

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out doubt. She had been found fault with for this world. We do not know what provision Happiness thanks God in the silence! Mis- of her own worth is not sufficient to keep her in this matter with her as in dealings with ery cries aloud to the world! And so we grow happy if you are silent and never seek to men? and undone, that this final criticism was It is always well to go into a new land with to think that unhappiness is the rule and impress upon her mind the fact that you real- I can never understand how a wife or a merely the last straw on the camel's back. a full purse; and it is well to enter the next happiness the exception. But I do not be- ize her good qualities. And this is especially husband can be more thoughtful of outsiders true if you take every opportunity to assure than they are of each other. I cannot under-

ble you would be about it. Are you equally judicious praise.

for money which is her rightful portion as the ness we have had at home. no confidant; unhappiness wants to be sym- Do not imagine a good woman is satisfied keeper of your home and the sharer of your

stand how they can be ill-tempered and fault-

He would give all he possesses to go back one whose irritable words drove her to her found anything amiss, how suave and amia- you should strengthen her best qualities by

anything in the world he desires her to be if doing toward making your home the peaceful Why are neighbors to be treated with more he will go about it with the same perseverthe morning hours, and he spoke angrily It would have been wiser to walk out at the Sometimes the only way a wife can make place a home should be. What are you doing consideration than your very dearest ones? ance and determination which he puts into about her tardy habits. She flung herself door. It is more discreet to go into the high- her husband understand her is to die. Then to render your wife happy at the thought of If you owed your partner or yo

thing else is secondary to that; for, when you

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"Gin'ral Merceer, stand beside this witness. Now both speak at wanst. Anybody else that has anything to say lave bim say it now, so it won't be heard."

(Copyright, 1899. by Robert Howard Russell.) guilt. I made it mesilf. It was a name iv Sol Levi. letter written be me fr'm th' Cap. "Ask it!" says Cap. Dhryfuss. to a German grocer askin' f'r "You are a despicable thraitor," says th'

twinty r-rounds iv sausage. (Turmoil in gallant corryspondint. (Sensation.) th' Coort.) It was impossible, mon "Th' pris'nor must answer," says th' Coort colonel, that this bere letter oud have "It is now nearly six o'clock iv th' mornin' been written be Estherhazy. In th' first place an' time to get up an dhress." he was in Paris at th' time; in th' slcond "I refuse to make anny commint," says place he was in London. Th' letter is not in Cap. Dhryfuss. his handwritin', but in th' handwritin' iv Th' pris'nor's remark uttered in tones iv Col. Pat th' Clam. Thin again I wrote th' despair, caused gr-reat emotion in th' aujetter mesilf. Thin who cud 've written it? jience. There were angry cries of "Lynch fr'm the Coort.) I give me ressons as they "Silence!" roared th' Coort, bendin' a stern, is at stake!"

third, th' marriage iv Prince Lobengula; iv'ry indulgence, but if outsiders persist in th' pris'nor think this is?" fourth, th' scarcity iv sarvint girls in th' sooburban towns; fifth, th' price iv gas. (Cries iv "Abase th' price iv gas.")

Cap. Dhryfuss was settin' on th' windowsill whistlin' "Garry Owen" an' makin' faces at th' gallant corryspondint iv th' Daily Wrongs iv Man. At this point he cried out, laughingly: "I will not conthradict th' gin'ral. I will say he lies. I saw th' letter mesilf an' that man was Estherhazy." (Sensation.)

was about this time, or some years "Let me ask this canal iv a Jew a queslater," continues Gin'ral Merceer, tion," says th' correspondint iv th' evening 'that I received ividince iv th' Cap.'s Rothscheeld Roaster, a Fr-rinchman be th'

occurred to me: First, th' Armeenyan athroc- inflexible look on th' pris'nor. "This is a coort intherferin' with these proceedin's," he says, "I thought it was a thrile" says th' Cap., iv Austhrich sayin' that he did not write th' ities; sicond, th' risignation iv Gin'ral Alger; iv justice. We ar're disposed f'r to gr-rant "we'll expel thim fr'm th' room. What does but be th' number iv vet'ran journalists here letter referred to be Prisidint Kruger, an' if



"I was not speakin' iv th' Dhryfus case."

"Don't dare to mintion that matter in this court," says th' prisidint. "I'm surprised a this case, th' editor iv wan iv th' Paris patha that Fr-rance is about to parish. As I go to It must 've been Cap. Dhryfuss. (Cheers him!" an' all eyes were turned to th' Cap. man iv ye're intillegence'd thry to dhrag in exthranyous matther, whin th' honor iv th' ar-rmy pers," says th' prisidint, "has received a letter press th' news has excited no comment in

it must be th' openin' iv a new hotel." "Cap," says th' prisidint, "what ye got to dossier." say to this? Did ye write th' letter?"

"I did," says th' Cap. "Throw it out, thin," says the' prisidint. Th' witness will confine himsilf to forgeries. down, sir."

"I wish to confront th' witness," says Mat- ruds on the situation iv th' poor in China." ther Blamange.

"Set down!" says th' prisidint.

Moosoo de Bozoo's? It was years ago, durin' man at th' dure. "Judge Crazy th' Boorepare th' time iv Napolycon, befure th' big fire. If is here demandin' to be heard." a lovely night? Oh dear, oh, dear, gintlemen wint out through th' windows iv th' press an' mon Prisidint, ye ought to Rennes. Th' citizens dhrivin' home their annyhow?" An' th' Gin'ral replies: 'F'r an' spondints iv th' English papers do not dare ol' man, well.' I made up me mind thin that iv rumors iv a gin'ral massacre. Madame

fr'm th' military attachay or spy iv th' Impror Fr-ransa.

he did it's a forgery. But what cud ye ixplct? I will throw both letters into th' secret

"What's that?" says Matther Blamange. "It's a collection iv pomes wrote to th' Paris papers be sples," says th' Prisidint. "Call Colonel Peekhart if th' others ar-re not We must be guided be th' laws iv ividence. through. What, you again Peckhart? Sit

Have ye e'er a forgery about ye'er clothes, hart, "unaccustomed as I am to public hart, "unaccustomed as I am to public speakin', I wish to addhress ye a few wur-"Assassin," hisses th' coort.

"Canal," says Matther Blamange, "D'ye raymimber meetin' me at dinner at th' Fr-rinch gover'mint, who was th' police "Mon colonel," says a former minister iv

I raymimber r-right we had peas. Wasn't it "Gr-reat hivins," says th' coort, an' they

That night they was gr-reat excitement in have been there. Well, I says to Gin'ral cows cud har'ly make their way through th' Billot, I says: 'Gin'ral,' I says, 'how ar-re ye excited throngs on th' sthreet. Th' corryth' Cap, was innocint, an' this was befure he Sarah Bernhardt gave a magnificent performance at th' theaytre an' was wildly cheered. "Me distinguished colleague in th' thrile iv It was believed in London, Budapest, Posen,